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## Jim Morgan Refuses Job As School Coach

### Wired Mr. Holmes Last Week He Would Accept Position

### GOES TO GASTONIA

### Asks For Resignation In Order to Work Near His Home

Edenton's perplexity over engaging an athletic coach for the high school here to succeed Henry House, who is going up into Virginia this fall, became more pronounced than ever on Monday when "Big Jim" Morgan, Davidson three star man, asked to be released from his contract to come here on September 23, and Superintendent John A. Holmes agreed to it with much regret. Morgan immediately signed to coach the high school boys at Gastonia, near his own home town, Albemarle.

This put the situation back to where it was when House announced his resignation so that he could go to Augusta Military Academy. The one considered first was Virgil Weathers, North Carolina State, and he is again back in the picture after being rejected in favor of Morgan. So is Bill Averette, son-in-law of C. N. Griffin.

Averette's qualifications, however, are said to be limited in the view of Mr. Holmes. He is a good semi-pro baseball player and had an excellent scholastic record, but Mr. Holmes feels that Edenton's coach should be more versed in football techniques than in any other sport, and this he is not certain Averette is. He is making inquiries along this line as well as to Mr. Averette's studies.

In order to have the best possible advice in making a selection Mr. Holmes wrote yesterday to Bob Fetzer, director of a coaching school at the University of North Carolina, and will be guided largely by his reply. As the time is drawing close before school opens, however, he is somewhat anxious about things and may make a visit to Mr. Fetzer in the next day or so.

While no admission is being made by Mr. Holmes the situation regarding Morgan seems to center about where he could get the best salary. Certain it is that he wired on August 15 from Kinston, where he is playing ball this summer: "Will accept position in your school system," and that

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## WORLD MOURNS



WILL ROGERS

The entire world was shocked on Friday when news was broadcast that Will Rogers and Wiley Post were killed in an airplane crash in Alaska. The two, very warm friends, met their death instantly.

## UNITED CHARITIES IN NEED OF FUNDS TO HELP IN RELIEF

### Few Respond to Letters Sent Out Asking For Donations to Carry On Needed Work

Due to supplementing the amount given by the county Commissioners for help in support to from 20 to 23 on the county's relief roll, the treasury of the United Charities is being gradually cut down. It was found necessary recently to send out letters urging citizens to devote to this purpose and a generous response was made by the few who contributed. This amount, however, is practically exhausted and officials of the United Charities are hopeful that more of those receiving letters will send in a donation for this worthy cause.

It was intimated that unless more citizens respond it will be necessary to make personal solicitations in an effort to secure money with which to help the aged and infirm who are unable to work and who cannot live on the amount given by the county.

The donations given by the county for help in support range from \$2.00 to \$5.00 per month to which the United Charities add orders for groceries from 81 cents to as high as \$1.27 per week in the most needed cases. In each instance a thorough investigation is made by W. J. Taylor, county welfare officer, and the United Charities give the additional help upon his recommendation.

## Mayor Lenient With Boys Who Damaged City's Electric Lights

Wallace Ward, 20-year-old white youth, was hailed before Mayor E. W. Spires on Monday afternoon charged with shooting at and breaking a number of electric lights, property of the town. Mr. Spires, after hearing the testimony of Night Patrolman Pratt, Clarence Spruill and several small boys, found Ward guilty of the charge and placed a fine of \$10 and costs on him or 10 days in jail. Later, however, the Mayor reprimanded the defendant and withdrew his sentence upon condition that he show good behavior for 12 months.

Mr. Spires was very emphatic that the destruction of town property must cease and warned that the next person brought before him on similar charges will not get off so easily.

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## COUNTY FARMERS GIVEN HEARING BEFORE AAA MEN

### Three Melon Growers Charged With Violating Agreement

### FILE ANSWERS

### Farmers Unaware Inspection of Crop Was Mandatory

Considerable time was spent in the Court House Tuesday morning when three Chowan County watermelon growers were hailed before representatives of the AAA for alleged violation of the watermelon marketing agreement. The three growers who were summoned to appear were L. A. Bunch, W. G. Forehand, and R. N. Privott. Most of the time was consumed by G. Osmond Hyde, presiding officer and counsel for the Government, who read various papers and exhibits which will go into the record to be submitted to H. A. Wallace, secretary of agriculture.

Mr. Hyde explained the watermelon marketing agreement which was entered into by the secretary of agriculture pursuant to authority vested in him by the Government. He explained that the sole purpose of the program was to help the watermelon growers by stabilizing the crop and preventing a glut of inferior melons on the market, which was to the advantage of the grower.

He also explained that he was not authorized to pass judgment on the respondents, but was empowered to have witnesses sworn or other court procedure in connection with the hearings. The testimony or court papers that were presented will be sent to Mr. Wallace, who will render a verdict in the matter. Mr. Hyde stated that he was unable to say what disposition will be made of the cases by the secretary.

The growers were charged with shipping watermelons out of North Carolina without being inspected and graded and refusing to pay their proportionate share of the inspection service.

The answer filed by these farmers was very similar, each one saying that they were not notified that the inspection and grading of watermelons was mandatory, and that they unknowingly violated the marketing agreement.

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## John Horne Hearing Set For August 30

A preliminary hearing for John Horne will be held in Recorder's Court on Friday, August 30.

Horne, who last week killed his wife, almost severing her head from her body with a razor when she refused to live with him, was taken to the Elizabeth City jail, where he is now awaiting trial.

After killing his wife Horne attempted to take his own life by cutting his throat and left wrist. He was taken to a local physician who dressed the wounds, and was later taken to Elizabeth City. His condition, aside from suffering from the loss of blood, was not serious and he is now able to be about in his cell. A number of rumors were afloat during the week that Horne had committed suicide in jail, but none of these were true.

## Court Testimony Creates Sensation

Only one case came before Judge J. N. Pruden in Recorder's Court Tuesday morning, but testimony in this case created right much of a sensation.

Buck Overton, colored, was charged with assault upon Mary Fleming, as the result of an affair at the appearance of Little Genevieve and her orchestra for a midnight dance Sunday night at the colored dancing hall. Buck, it appears, bought a new dress for a friend and just prior to the dance saw Mary wearing the same dress. He immediately grabbed hold of the garment, tearing it completely off, leaving Mary in the same condition in which she came into the world. According to testimony, Mary was forced to borrow a man's coat to wrap around her in order to get home. She said she had rented the dress from a friend for 15 cents.

Buck was found guilty and sentenced to 30 days or pay a fine of \$5 and costs and show good behavior for six months. The court was lenient in the matter and granted Buck an extension of time to raise the necessary money.

## BOARD OF HEALTH ORDERS LIFTING OF RESTRICTIONS

### Members Believe It Safe To Allow Children To Mingle

### FEW NEW CASES

### Realize Hardships and Appreciate Cooperation of Citizens

At a meeting of the Board of Health Monday morning the restriction against children under 15 years of age to congregate was lifted. Members of the Board present were D. M. Warren, Dr. L. P. Williams, Dr. M. P. Whichard, Dr. W. I. Hart, Jr., and Mayor E. W. Spires. Dr. J. A. Powell, county health officer, and W. J. Taylor, secretary of the Board, were not present.

Members of the Board in making this decision realized that the restriction had placed a hardship on the churches, Sunday Schools, theatre and drugstores, and in view of the marked decrease of reported cases of infantile paralysis throughout the State, they were of the opinion that it would be safe to lift the restriction in this county, whose only one case was reported in the early stages of the outbreak of the epidemic.

All children, therefore will now be allowed to attend church, Sunday School, the theatre or any other meeting of young people.

The opening of school next month was also taken into consideration in lifting the restriction, it being thought that teachers living out-of-town should know when they should report so that they can make their plans accordingly.

Members of the Board of Health are appreciative of the cooperation in complying with the restriction order, although they realize many hardships and inconveniences resulted.

Sunday Schools have been crippled during the restriction period, the theatre has lost considerable revenue and drug stores have had added expense in being obliged to serve drinks in individual sanitary cups. But in view of the apparent danger of the spread of infantile paralysis when the restriction was made, all willingly and gladly cooperated in the hope that the disease would not spread, and since this danger is not now apparent, all will welcome the lifting of the restriction.

## Theatre Unable To Have Show Saturday

Due to the breaking of one of the intricate pieces of the Taylor Theatre sound equipment, no show could be presented Saturday afternoon and night. The management regretted the unavoidable mishap and wired immediately for a new part.

In the meantime Mr. Taylor spent all day Saturday in an effort to borrow a piece, but returned too late for the 9 o'clock show. The broken part has been replaced and patrons here and in Bertie can be assured the management will do its utmost to prevent future breakdowns.

## Meetings Resumed Among County Clubs

After several weeks of more or less inactivity among the home demonstration clubs of the County, Miss Nelle Colwell, home agent, has resumed her regular schedule, which for the next week is as follows:

Friday morning, office; visiting in the afternoon.

Saturday morning, office. At 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon the County Council of home demonstration clubs will meet in the hotel.

Monday morning, office. At 3:00 P. M. the Chowan women will meet at the school building.

Tuesday morning, visiting. At 3:00 P. M. the Advance women will meet with Mrs. A. L. Perry.

Wednesday and Thursday—Office in the morning and visiting in the afternoon.

## Leroy Haskett Returns To Edenton To Work

Leroy Haskett, of Rocky Mount, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Haskett, will return to Edenton early next month to be employed by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. Mr. Haskett is now employed by the same company in Rocky Mount and has requested a transfer to Edenton to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of J. A. Curran, who recently started in the grocery business.

## City Taxes Reduced 11c For Year Of 1936

### Children May Go To Sunday School

### Rate Will Be \$1.15 Compared With \$1.26 Last Year

### PREPARE BUDGET

Due to the lifting of the restriction against children under 15 years of age attending Sunday School, all children are now urged to return to their respective classes on Sunday morning. The order forbidding children to congregate was made by the County Board of Health when a case of infantile paralysis developed in Edenton at the outset of the epidemic, which restriction was lifted Monday.

A number of children have expressed themselves that they will not go to Sunday School until they see in the paper that they will be allowed to go. This story, therefore, is due notice that they may go to their Sunday Schools and furthermore are urged to attend. Likewise they are now allowed to attend the theatre.

## TWO MURDER CASES IN SUPERIOR COURT

Judge W. C. Harris of Raleigh will preside at Term Starting Monday, September 9.

The September term of Chowan Superior Court will be held the week of September 9 with Judge W. C. Harris, of Raleigh, presiding.

Of special interest in this term of court will be two murder cases, that of Tom Ralls, who is charged with first degree murder in connection with the death of Hester Satterfield, and John Horne, who is charged with the murder of his wife, Mrs. Nellie Horne, last week.

Other criminal cases, which will be tried Monday and Tuesday, September 9 and 10 include:

Murray Baker, operating a car under the influence of liquor.

Earl Gregory, breaking into the home of C. Y. Parrish.

Alford Harris and Arthur Reeves, passing a forged check on Badham Brothers.

W. S. James, larceny of automobile tires.

Eugene White, breaking into the store of Tom Walker.

Gillard Ainsley, assault.

Glavin Hollowell, manslaughter.

Willie Bright, larceny of an automobile from D. S. Valentine.

John Edward Wilkins, carrying concealed weapons.

Gurney McClenny, larceny of an automobile belonging to Dr. W. S. Griffin.

Clifton Bond, Frank Bond, and Willis Bond, larceny of meat from Jim Davenport.

William F. Bembridge and John Pete Bembridge, resisting arrest and interfering with an officer.

William F. Bembridge, operating a car under the influence of liquor.

The Civil Cases scheduled to come up Wednesday, September 11, include:

Nixon vs. H. C. Nixon; Brown vs. White and Spencer; Blades vs. Winslow; Pierce Tire Company vs. Perry; West vs. Byrum.

Thursday, Sept. 12th:

Satterfield vs. Boyce et als; American Surety Co. vs. Edenton-Mackeys Ferry Company; Hill vs. Fertilizer Company.

Motions:

White vs. Foreman Blades Lumber Company.

## Regular Services Now At Baptist Church

Rev. E. L. Wells, pastor of the Edenton Baptist Church, announced this week that since the restriction against the gathering of children has been lifted, the regular services at the Baptist Church will be held on Sunday, with Sunday School convening at 9:45 and preaching at 11 A. M., and 8 P. M.

The night services at the church have been called off the past two Sundays, but the services on Sunday will be held as usual. Mr. Wells is very anxious to have all the children and grown-ups as well who remained away from Sunday School and church during the restriction period return at once so that the classes may be reorganized and the work of the church go on as usual.

## Suttonfield Child Died On Sunday

Friends will regret to learn of the death of Frank Suttonfield, Jr., two-weeks-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Suttonfield, who died at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Webb, in the Yeopim section, on Sunday afternoon.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the home with Rev. E. L. Wells officiating. Interment took place in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Suttonfield, who also has been very ill, is now improving satisfactorily.

## Local Embalmer Will Not Leave Edenton

In connection with the write-up in The Herald last week regarding Caleb Goodwin entering the undertaking business in Plymouth about September 1, some readers evidently are under the impression that E. D. Babb, embalmer for the Quinn Furniture Company, will also go to Plymouth. This, however, is not the case. Mr. Babb will continue in the service of the Quinn Furniture Company, but has consented to assist Mr. Goodwin in whatever way he can at such times as he is at leisure here.

The Herald regrets that the wrong impression was conveyed and gladly makes this correction.

## Tennis Teams Now Have Even Score

Interest in tennis is now on the up-grade in Edenton, a match having been played here with Elizabeth City last week and another one has been scheduled to be played in Edenton next Sunday with an Elizabeth City team. A match also was played in Elizabeth City last Sunday.

As it now stands the two cities are deadlocked, each team having won and lost a match. The first game played last week was won by Edenton 3-1. In this contest Tom Cheers won over Trueblood 2 out of 3, the scores being 6-1, 6-2. Pearly Baumgardner also won from Midgett 2 out of 3 by the score of 6-3, 6-3.

In the doubles the two teams split, Goodwin and Griffin defeating Tasker and Midgett 6-3, 6-3, while Redfern and Privott lost to Trueblood and Roach 7-5, 6-4.

Edenton lost the match to Elizabeth City on the latter's court last Sunday 3 to 1, and both teams are predicting a victory on the local court on Sunday.

Tennis enthusiasts are now endeavoring to schedule matches with other towns in the Albemarle.

## Want Chowan Exhibits In Williamston Fair

Harvey Walker, resident manager of the Williamston Fair, was in Edenton Friday in connection with the fair which will be held the week of November 4. Mr. Walker conferred with N. K. Rowell, county agent, and Miss Rebecca Colwell, home agent, in an effort to have exhibits from Chowan County entered. A total of \$2,500 will be offered in agricultural premiums and purses for horse racing will total \$1,000.

Norman Y. Chambliss of Rocky Mount, who is manager of the State Fair in Raleigh, will have general supervision of the Williamston Fair, operating it along with expositions at Rocky Mount, Greensboro and Clinton.

Mr. Walker is very anxious to have exhibits from Chowan County and was very optimistic that the fair this year will be a great success. As an amusement feature the World of Mirth shows that will play the State Fair will occupy the midway at Williamston, and due to a free bridge Mr. Walker expects many from this county to attend.

## Mayor And Fire Chief Attend State Firemen's Meet In Wilmington

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Spires and Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Hall will leave Edenton Sunday for Wilmington, where they will attend the annual State Firemen's convention, which will be in session from August 26 to 29.

Fire Chief Hall holds the distinction of being the oldest member in point of service in the Fire Department of North Carolina, and will be delighted to submit an excellent report for the local Fire Department.

## GO TO DUKE HOSPITAL

Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Goodwin and Mrs. Goodwin's mother, Mrs. S. A. White, left Edenton Tuesday for Durham, where both Mrs. Goodwin and Mrs. White will undergo an examination at Duke Hospital.